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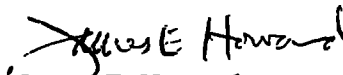
Re: STB Docket No. AB-1043 (Sub-No. 2X)
Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd.--
Abandonment Exemption--In Aroostook County, Maine

Dear Ms. Brown:

Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd. ("MMA") hereby provides notice, through its undersigned counsel, and in accordance with 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), that it has exercised the authority granted by the Board to abandon a line of railroad approximately .4 miles in length located in Van Buren, Aroostook County, Maine. More specifically, by a decision that was served and effective on July 15, 2011 in the above-captioned proceeding, the Board authorized the abandonment of approximately .4 miles of line located in Van Buren, Maine between milepost V 23.69 and milepost V 24.12 of the Van Buren subdivision. MMA fully exercised the abandonment authority and consummated the abandonment as of August 5, 2011 by conveying the line on that date to the United States General Services Administration for the construction of a land port of entry facility for the United States Customs and Order Protection Agency.

I am enclosing 10 copies of this letter for filing with the Board and serving a copy on the Maine Department of Transportation. Please contact me if you have questions or need further information. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


James E. Howard

Enclosures
cc: Carol Chirico (GSA)